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SUBJ: KHMER CREDENTIALS AT UNESCO 18TH GENERAL CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 210886

PARIS FOR US UNESCO

1. SINCE BOTH GOB MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MOE AND SECOND RANKING OFFICIAL HIS MINISTRY, PERMANENT SECRETARY A. N. FORDE, ATTENDING UNGA, I CALLED THIS MORNING ON ACTING PERMANENT SECRETARY SAMUEL CORBIN TO SOLICIT GOB SUPPORT FOR GKR RETENTION OF ITS SEAT IN UNESCO. STRESSING U.S. VIEW THAT UNGA, NOT UNESCO, IS PROPER FOREM FOR POLITICAL QUESTIONS AND USING ARGUMENTS SET FORTH IN STATE 192437 AND 062535, I URGED THAT BARDEL TO GENERAL CONFERENCE SUPPORT DEFERMENT OF ISSUE.

2. NEITHER CORBIN NOR ACTING HEAD OF MINISTRY'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS OFFICE ORLANDO MARVILLE, WHO SAT IN ON CONVERSATION, SEEMED TO BE FAMILIAR WITH SUBJECT, BUT FORMER PROMISED TO FIND OUT WHAT GOB POSITION WAS AND INFORM US.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO INFORMATION HERE WHICH WOULD EXPLAIN
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APPARENT DISCREPANCY BETWEEN GOB VOTE IN 28TH GA IN FAVOR OF

DEFERMENT AND ABSTENTION IN UNESCO 17TH GENERAL CONFERENCE. WE SUSPECT, HOWEVER, THAT IT ATTRIBUTABLE SIMPLY TO LACK OF COORDINATION AND, GIVEN GOB'S LIMITED RESOURCES AND PRIORITIES, ARE NOT AT ALL SANGUINE THAT RECURRENCE OF SUCH A SITUATION CAN BE AVOIDED.

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